

## American Chamber of Commerce of Iraq

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Dear Colleague,

Thank you for your interest in the American Chamber of Commerce of Iraq (AMCHAM).

Our Chapter launched under the guidance of our new Executive Committee (Board) and Officers with a standing room only luncheon on 26 May 2005, featuring a keynote address by the American Chargé d'Affaires, Ambassador James F. Jeffrey. The event set the tone for what promises to be an exciting and productive time for our rapidly growing membership.

Simply stated, AMCHAM has formed in order to increase business opportunities for American firms, address and advocate for the common concerns of the American Business Community in Iraq, promote the highest standards of corporate citizenship, strengthen our ties with counterpart Iraqi and Coalition organizations, and support the development of democratic institutions and a market economy in Iraq. Moreover, we fully intend to be active in trade shows and business development opportunities in the region and elsewhere throughout the world.

This is a tall order and our immediate focus is to build our membership and develop an on-going luncheon program of interesting and timely speakers, fellowship and networking, all to address common concerns and expand opportunities.

If you are an individual or firm (regardless of nationality) doing business in Iraq and share AMCHAM's goals and values, we welcome you to apply for membership for the special Calendar Year 2005 dues of \$100. This applies both for individual and corporate membership, and to our special non-voting Government/NGO Associate category for those engaged in public service.

Please take a moment to review our membership application form, 2005 Campaign Plan and photographs from our last luncheon. Feel free to send your completed application and inquiries to our e-mail address above.

We look forward to your joining with us in building a vibrant and effective AMCHAM.

Kindest regards,

Ward E. Scott, II

President